

SAMANTHA REGISTER

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EDUCATION

University of Colorado – Boulder	Boulder, CO
Ph.D., Department of Political Science	Expected PhD Summer 2025
Concentration in American Politics and Research Methods	M.A. May 2022

Dissertation: “Exploring Political Parasocial Relationships in the Digital Age”

MA Thesis: “Does obsession with electability dissuade voters from supporting female candidates?”

University of Colorado – Denver	Denver, CO
M.A., Department of Political Science	December 2019

University of California, Irvine	Irvine, CA
B.A., Department of English	June 2012

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political psychology, political communication, campaigns and elections, state and urban politics, gender and politics

PUBLICATIONS

Register, Samantha. 2024. “Red, Blue, and Going for Gold: Partisan Support for Olympic Host Bids.” *Urban Affairs Review*, 10780874241256301.

WORKING PAPERS

“Who’s Engaging in Political Discussions on Social Media? Comparing the Effects of Self-Monitoring and Moral Certainty” (Under Review)

“Insecure Majorities on Social Media: Exploring the relationship between competition and cross-party ties.”

“She Doesn’t Look Presidential: Analyzing Gendered Fashion in Politics.” – With Katie Glenn

“The Partisan Dynamics of Electoral College Support” – With Anand Sokhey and Katie Glenn

“Who Claims Fraud? State Legislators’ Voter Fraud Claims in the 2020 Election” – With Srinivas Parinandi and Alexandra Siegel

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

“Understanding the Graduate Student Teaching Assistant (TA) Experience.” – Professors Sarah Sokhey and Megan Shannon Fall 2024-Spring 2025

“Better Understanding the Political Dynamics of the God Gap.” – Professors Janet M. Box-Steffensmeier and Anand Sokhey Summer 2024

“Throwing out Bums, Bunglers, and Bandits: Recall Elections in Local Politics” – Professors Kenneth Bickers and Lapo Salucci Summer 2023

HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

University of Colorado Boulder Center for Teaching and Learning, Certificate in College Teaching, 2024

Center to Advance Research and Teaching in the Social Sciences, \$800, 2023

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Colorado – Boulder Boulder, CO

Graduate Part Time Instructor, Department of Political Science August 2023 – Present

- PSCI 3011: The American Presidency and the Executive Branch Fall 2023
- PSCI 3021: U.S. Campaigns and Elections (online asynchronous) Summer 2024

University of Colorado – Boulder Boulder, CO

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science August 2020 – May 2023

- PSCI 1101: Introduction to American Politics Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022
- PSCI 2075: Quantitative Research Methods Fall 2022, Spring 2023

University of Colorado – Denver Denver, CO

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science August 2018-December 2019

- Introduction to American Politics Fall 2019
- Women’s Rights: A Global Perspective Fall 2018

PRESENTATIONS

“Home Style 2.0: Political Parasocial Relationships in the Digital Age”
“She Doesn’t Look Presidential: Analyzing Gendered Fashion in Politics.”
2024 APSA Annual Meeting and Exhibition September 2024

“Does potential for public spending decrease support for Olympic host bids?”
2024 Southern Political Science Association Conference January 2024

“Who Claims Fraud? State Legislators’ Voter Fraud Claims in the 2020 Election.”
2023 APSA Annual Meeting and Exhibition September 2023

“Insecure Majorities on Social Media: Exploring the relationship between competition and cross-party ties.”

80th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference

April 2023

“Who's Engaging in Political Discussions on Social Media? Comparing the Effects of Self-Monitoring and Moral Certainty”

79th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference

April 2022

MEDIA APPEARANCES AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

[“A Public Affair Election Panel.”](#) KGNU Community Radio, August 2024

[“Study looks into politics behind hosting the Olympics.”](#) *9News Denver*, July 2024

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND DEPARTMENTAL POSITIONS

Lead Department Fellow, Center for Teaching and Learning 2024-2025

President, Graduates in Political Science 2024-2025

Research Mentor, Institute of Behavioral Science STUDIO Lab 2024-2025

Methods Lab Coordinator, Department of Political Science Fall 2024

Comprehensive Exams Student Liaison, Graduates in Political Science 2023-2024

REFERENCES

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